

COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters, to which was referred House Bill No. 1502, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1 Page 1, after line 13, begin a new paragraph and insert:
2 "SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011] (a) The general
3 assembly urges the legislative council to assign the topic of whether
4 the sentences for crimes involving the unlawful use, possession, or
5 distribution of prescription drugs should be based on the amount
6 of active ingredient contained in each specific drug to an interim
7 or a statutory study committee for study during the 2011 legislative
8 interim.
9 (b) If the topic of whether the sentences for crimes involving the
10 unlawful use, possession, or distribution of prescription drugs
11 should be based on the amount of active ingredient contained in
12 each specific drug is assigned to an interim or a statutory study
13 committee under subsection (a), the study committee shall issue a
14 final report to the legislative council containing the study
15 committee's findings and recommendations, including any

- 1 **recommended legislation concerning the topic, not later than**
- 2 **November 1, 2011.**
- 3 **(c) This SECTION expires December 31, 2011."**
 (Reference is to HB 1502 as printed February 18, 2011.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass .

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0.

Senator Steele, Chairperson